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McNairy County Audit Reveals Multiple Problems

The Comptroller's annual audit of McNairy County government includes 16 issues related to noncompliance, weaknesses and deficiencies in county government operations. Half of these audit findings were also noted in last year's report but had not been corrected.

The 16 findings for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015 were spread across multiple county offices. Some of the issues auditors identified included problems with purchasing procedures, expenditures exceeding appropriations, cash overdrafts, and poor accounting. Additionally, the Highway/Public Works Fund required material audit adjustments totaling \$192,262 in order to correct year-end financial statements.

Comptroller auditors have included recommendations to correct each of the 16 problems. County leaders and managers have the responsibility to make the necessary changes. McNairy County's Audit Committee can also help provide oversight and ensure that controls are in place to reduce risk.

"The number of findings in this audit report are a clear indicator that certain areas of McNairy County government need improvement," Comptroller Justin P. Wilson said. "I am also concerned that half of the problems noted in this year's audit were also reported last year. By correcting these issues, public officials can improve the accountability of taxpayer money."

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